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On the Method of First Rashidin

It is an honorable scene that has been repeated since the era of the Rashidin Khilafah, the era of Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman, and Ali - may Allah be pleased with them - through the era of Abu Bakr and Abu Ibrahim - may Allah have mercy on them - where the noble descendants follow the approach of the first Rashidin, and proceed, follow-through on their promises, and fulfill their bay'ah. They fought to the death, and they did not give up the flag to their enemy, but they handed it over to those who hold it high, by the permission of Allah.

It is a story that has been repeated in the ancient and modern history of Islam: a Khalifah succeeds a Khalifah, and an imam hands over the flag to another. The era of Khalifah Abu Bakr as-Siddiq lasted only two years until he died of illness, where it was said he was poisoned, and also said otherwise. He was succeeded by al-Faruq Umar, whose reign features vast conquests, and the strength of the Islamic State grew. He was killed among his companions while leading the people in Salat al-Fajr in his mosque, and it was due to the stabs of a Majusi that also killed seven of those companions! Dhu an-Nurayn Uthman succeeded him, and fitnas spread at the end of his reign, and he was besieged and killed among his companions in his home! Then, Ali bin Abi Talib succeeded him, and his Khilafah endured for five years, until the miserable Kharaji, Ibn Mulgam, killed him during Salat al-Fajr among his companions.

This is how the Rashidin Khalifahs were killed, and the leaders of the modern Khilafah are still being killed in the same way as the first. For what are they blameworthy? What was their offense? Why do these deny us an honor they have not attained? and glory they have not achieved? Do they blame us for being steadfast or being killed while steadfast?! They criticize the death of Khalifah Abu Ibrahim in a heroic epic in which the people spent their night and everyone claims to have been affected! Everyone says: This is our emir and this is our leader! Then, when the dawn broke on the body of the slain shaykh, they change their words and utter: This is our evil and the son of our evil! And they devalue him!! It is nifaq that has reached the horizons! If this wondrous scene took place in the era of the first Rashidin, such people would have said: "It is he who Allah guided to invade, and he has been guided".

Allah said: "And do not say about those who are killed in the way of Allah, 'They are dead.' Rather, they are alive, but you perceive [it] not" (Al-Baqara: 154). He repeated this in Surat Aal-i-Imran: "And never think of those who have been killed in the cause of Allah as dead. Rather, they are alive with their Lord, receiving provision" (Aal-i-Imran: 169). The interpreters said in its exegesis: Meaning, you should not think they died and lost, and the pleasures of this life and the enjoyment of its blossoms have departed them, which gives caution to those cowards in battle. What they gave in denying desires to achieve martyrdom, which they won, is greater than what the competitors vie for, as they are "alive with their Lord" in His honorable abode.

Some have drowned in analysis and conjecture about the reasons for the delay in announcing the death of Khalifah Abu Ibrahim - may Allah accept him - and the appointment of Khalifah Abul-Hasan - may Allah preserve him - not knowing that the appointment and bay'ah were not delayed at all and that what was delayed is making the announcement in the media, and that is for reasons related to the field. Truly, it is the field that dictates to and directs the media and not the opposite. There was no delay, as the Friday following the epic, we gave bay'ah to Shaykh Abul-Hasan al-Hashimi - by Allah's grace - and then the dawayin of the soldiers, the media, and the detachments gave bay'ah in all the Wilayat.

Over a week, the Media Officers documented the dozens of bay'at from the Khilafah soldiers in all the Wilayat of the Islamic State all over the world. It is a scene that vexed the Crusaders and murtaddin, for they saw that all their efforts to stop the wheel of jihad from turning and eliminate the Khilafah State were in vain.

The friend and the enemy alike were surprised by the Islamic State announcing the death of Shaykh Abu Hamza al-Qurashi - may Allah accept him - which Crusader America and all the intelligence agencies in the world did not know, nor did the media, analysts, and pundits, despite their large number and the extent of their lies. This serves as a message to all who think that global intelligence controls everything on earth! And that nothing is hidden from them! Hidden from them was the death of the official spokesman Shaykh Abu Hamza al-Qurashi - may Allah accept him - who his successor, Shaykh Abu Umar al-Muhajir - may Allah preserve him - described: "the pious and hidden shaykh". We do not add to this description.

We take this opportunity to address our brothers the supporters: Do not be preoccupied with responding to those whose insight Allah blurred and to this day have not stopped spreading rumors and sowing doubts about the identity of the Khalifah and who he is. They made a lot of noise before about Khalifah Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi (may Allah accept him), until he appeared before them openly, during the day at a Friday sermon in public! So they said, how can he go out? and where are the Crusader aircraft? Then when he was killed, they said, where is his body?! Will these munafiqin ever stop engaging in this? It is simply their habit and custom.

So beware of bothering with them or letting them preoccupy you. Instead, go above them. As it was said: The hawks fly so high that they do not crash into the gargoyles! Raise yourself over them, and may Allah raise your status. Likewise, lower the wing of humbleness and mercy to the Muslims who seek the truth, be kind to them and gentle, and preach to them and call to them with wisdom and sage advice. The difference between the seeker of the truth and the munafiq who instigates is not hidden.

Also evident was the anger of the people and their derision for the puppets of the Turkish and global intelligence in Idlib, and how the sitters criticized them and described them in terms of treachery and betrayal until they submissively issued statements in which they timidly condemned the killing of children and made light of the killing of heroes in a way that gives material for many articles for the people of understanding and rationale.

Let the reasonable person contemplate how the arguments are made against these people from where they do not know! And how Allah raises the end of His friends and reveals this to the worshipers so that they can think and reflect, but most people perceive it not.

As for old, ragged America, whose feeble man tried to race against time to record a fake victory that tried to place a sieve over the joy of the Muslims for the Ghwayran epic - one of the last heroic acts and most honorable achievement during the era of Khalifah Abu Ibrahim - may Allah accept him - "in an epic battle that only the soldiers of the Islamic State and its commanders can wage".

Old, ragged America looking again through the heaps of rubble in Atma for the victory it claimed before in Barisha! It is the same victory it sought among the dead bodies of the pure and righteous in al-Baghouz and Mosul. It is the same victory it claimed many times before, on the day Abu Musab, Abu Umar, Abu Hamza, Abu Muhammad, Abu Bakr, and Abul-Hasan and others died - may Allah accept them all. So where is your victory, America?! What kind of victory is it that you claimed over the past two decades and continue searching for among the rubble, finding nothing but ruins?!

Rather, we say, and Allah is the granter of success: The Khilafah State today is a unified rank in fighting the mushrikin, the Arabs and non-Arabs, acting under the order of one imam, from Sham to Hind, and from Iraq to Mozambique, at a time when the ranks of the Crusaders are divided in a way that will not heal but will grow larger, by Allah's permission.

These are your ranks, America, and those of your allies, broken and divided, while our ranks follow the prophetic method together, and hold fast to the rope of Allah. The Khilafah soldiers will continue on this blessed method, the method of the Rashidin until they hand over the flag to 'Issa, peace be upon him. All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of all creation.